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Please see the attached pages for indicating the non-responsive amendment.

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DETAILED ACTION

Remark

- This Office Action is in response to applicant's amendment filed on July 8, 2002, which has been entered as paper number 4.
- By this amendment, claims 1-16, and 19-22 have been amended, claims 17-19 have been canceled and claims 23-41 have been newly added.
- Claims 1-16 and 19-41 remain pending in this application.

Response to Amendment

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1. The reply filed on July 8, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the amendment does not fully address the issues concerning originally present claims. Please see the reasons stated below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Election/Restrictions

2. Newly submitted claims 23-41 and newly amended claims 1-16 and 19-22 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the **invention originally claimed** for the following reasons:

Group I: Claims 1-16 and 19-23 have been amended to recite a *vertical cavity surface emitting laser*,

Group II: Claims 24-41 (newly submitted) are drawn to *semiconductor optical filter*, that are patently distinct from the original subject matter concerning *optical cavity*.

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Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits.

✓ Accordingly, claims 1-16 and 23-41 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Audrey Y. Chang whose telephone number is 703-305-6208. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-4:30), alternative Mondays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cassandra Spyrou can be reached on 703-308-1637. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-308-7722 for regular communications and 703-308-7722 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0956.

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